

# Media Tip Sheet: Woodlot Maintenance



Planting trees  
establishes new  
woodlots and provides  
for Indiana's future  
forest. The following  
are some examples of  
woodlot maintenance.

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A forester can evaluate public or private woodlands and recommend forest maintenance practices.



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One forest maintenance practice is timber stand improvement (TSI). During TSI, trees are girdled to complete openings or to create more growing space for high quality trees.

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Another TSI is cutting grapevines from “crop” trees to improve their growth rate. Grapevines compete with the tree for sunlight and nutrients and the weight of the grapevine can deform the tree.

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Pruning is another common practice. Lower limbs are pruned to improve the lumber quality in the lower logs and to encourage trees to grow straight.

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